

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1 Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for defining a workflow process, said  
2 method comprising the steps of:

- 3 (a) collecting a plurality of data;  
4 (b) defining at least one data record based on said plurality of data using a  
5 user interface data selection technique via a thin client application;  
6 (c) allocating said at least one defined data record to at least one data file; and  
7 (d) organizing said at least one data file into at least one form.

1 Claim 2 (original): The method of claim 1, and further comprising saving said at  
2 least one data record at a master center.

1 Claim 3 (original): The method of claim 2, and further comprising saving said at  
2 least one data record at said master center as an XML representation.

1 Claim 4 (currently amended): The method of claim 1, wherein said step of  
2 defining at least one data record based on said plurality of data ~~further including controlling how~~  
3 ~~said plurality of data is input~~ is performed by an end user using user interface data selection  
4 techniques that do not require programming experience.

1 Claim 5 (original): The method of claim 1, and further comprising the step of  
2 saving said at least one data file at a master center.

1                   Claim 6 (original): The method of claim 5, and further comprising the step of  
2 saving said at least one data file at said master center as an XML representation of at least one  
3 form.

1                   Claim 7 (original): The method of claim 1, and further comprising the step of  
2 saving said at least one form at a master center.

1                   Claim 8 (original): The method of claim 7, and further comprising the step of  
2 saving said at least one form as at least one action object icon.

1                   Claim 9 (original): The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of  
2 outputting a representation of said at least one form.

1                   Claim 10 (original): The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of  
2 formatting said at least one form into a format defined by a group consisting of: (a) an end user;  
3 and (b) a system analyst.

1                   Claim 11 (original): The method of claim 10, further comprising the step of  
2 saving said at least one formatted form on said master center.

1                   Claim 12 (original): The method of claim 1, and further comprising the step of  
2 developing a user interface to be used in connection with said workflow process.

1                   Claim 13 (currently amended): The method of claim 12, said step of developing  
2 said user interface to be used in connection with said workflow process including developing a  
3 ~~web-based~~ web based user interface.

1                   Claim 14 (currently amended): The method of claim 13, and further comprising  
2 the step of programming said ~~web-based~~ web based user interface in a programming language  
3 that is different from a programming language used to program said at least one data record, said  
4 at least one data files, and said master center.

1                   Claim 15 (currently amended): A method for creating a workflow process, said  
2 method comprising the steps of:

- 3                   (a)           accessing a business logic editor located on a master center, said  
4                                   business logic editor being a thin client application;
- 5                   (b)           presenting at least two action object icons on a user interface;
- 6                   (c)           accessing a canvas screen;
- 7                   ([[c]]d)       selecting a first of said at least two action object icons;
- 8                   ([[d]]e)       moving said first of at least two action object icons to said canvas  
9                                   screen;
- 10                  ([[e]]f)       defining properties for said first of at least two action object icons;
- 11                  ([[f]]g)       moving a second of said at least two action object icons to said canvas  
12                                   screen;
- 13                  ([[g]]h)       defining properties for said second of at least two action object icons;
- 14                  ([[h]]i)       linking said at least two action object icons to create a workflow  
15                                   process; and
- 16                  ([[i]]j)       defining form processing actions by setting action object icon  
17                                   properties for said at least two action object icons.

1                   Claim 16 (cancelled)

1                   Claim 17 (original): The method of claim 15, further comprising the step of  
2 accessing said master center using a web based user interface.

1                   Claim 18 (original): The method of claim 15, further comprising adjusting said  
2 workflow process to create and display at least one page boundary, said at least one page  
3 boundary including at least one horizontal page or at least one vertical page.  
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1                   Claim 19 (original): The method of claim 18, further comprising showing said  
2 page boundaries using at least one dotted line.  
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1                   Claim 20 (currently amended): A method for executing a workflow process, said  
2 method comprising:

- 3                   (a)     inputting a request to access a workflow process to a master center;  
4                   (b)     accessing said requested workflow process via a web service, said  
5                         requested workflow process containing at least two action object icons;  
6                   (c)     executing a first action object icon of said workflow process;  
7                   (d)     saving said executed first action object icon on said master center;  
8                   (e)     determining a second action object icon of said workflow process;  
9                   (f)     executing a second action object icon of said workflow process;  
10                  (g)     saving said executed second action object icon on said master center; and  
11                  (h)     continuing to execute said action object icons of said workflow process  
12                         until said workflow process is complete.  
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1                   Claim 21 (original): The method of claim 20, said steps of executing at least two  
2 action object icons of said workflow process further including accessing said at least two action  
3 object icons to review at least one form.  
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1                   Claim 22 (original): The method of claim 21, and further comprising the step of  
2 inputting data on said at least one form.  
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1                   Claim 23 (original): The method of claim 20, and further comprising the step of  
2 accessing said master center over a network using an end user.

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1 Claim 24 (original): The method of claim 23, wherein said end user is:

- 2 (a) a client computer;  
3 (b) a user; or  
4 (c) said user and said client computer.  
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1 Claim 25 (currently amended): The method of claim 20, and further including  
2 inputting an HTTP request into a client computer, said HTTP request being transmitted over a  
3 network to a master center[[:]].  
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1 Claim 26 (currently amended): A system for defining a workflow process, said  
2 system comprising:

- 3 (a) means for collecting a plurality of data;  
4 (b) means for defining at least one data record based on said plurality of data  
5 using a user interface data selection technique via a thin client application;  
6 (c) means for allocating said at least one defined data record to at least one  
7 data file; and  
8 (d) means for organizing said at least one data file into at least one form.  
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1 Claim 27 (currently amended): A system for creating a workflow process, said  
2 system comprising:

- 3 (a) means for accessing a business logic editor located on a master center,  
4 said business logic editor being a thin client application;  
5 (b) means for presenting at least two action object icons on a user  
6 interface;  
7 (c) means for accessing a canvas screen;  
8 ([[c]]d) means for selecting a first of said at least two action object icons;  
9 ([[d]]e) means for moving said first of at least two action object icons to said  
10 canvas screen;

- 11                    ([[e]]f)    means for defining properties for said first of at least two action object  
12                                    icons;  
13                    ([[f]]g)    means for moving a second of said at least two action object icons to  
14                                    said canvas screen;  
15                    ([[g]]h)    means for defining properties for said second of at least two action  
16                                    object icons; and  
17                    ([[h]]i)    means for linking said at least two action object icons to create a  
18                                    workflow process.

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1                    Claim 28 (currently amended): A system for executing a workflow process, said  
2 system comprising:

- 3                    (a)    means for inputting a request to access a workflow process to a master  
4                                    center;  
5                    (b)    means for accessing said requested workflow process via a web service,  
6                                    said workflow process containing at least two action object icons;  
7                    (c)    means for executing a first action object icon of said workflow process;  
8                    (d)    means for saving said executed first action object icon on said master  
9                                    center;  
10                    (e)    means for determining a second action object icon of said workflow  
11                                    process;  
12                    (f)    means for executing a second action object icon of said workflow process;  
13                    (g)    means for saving said executed second action object icon on said master  
14                                    center; and  
15                    (h)    means for continuing to execute said action object icons of said workflow  
16                                    process until said workflow process is complete.

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1                    Claim 29 (cancelled)

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1                    Claim 30 (cancelled)

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Claim 31 (new): A method for creating a custom workflow process, said method implemented over a network including a master center and at least one client computer system accessible by a user, said method comprising the steps of:

- (a) defining a workflow process using a business logic editor located on said master center, said business logic editor being a thin client application accessible through at least one client computer system, said step of defining a workflow process comprising the steps of:
  - (i) defining at least one data record based on a plurality of collected data using a user interface data selection technique via said business logic editor;
  - (ii) allocating said at least one defined data record to at least one data file;
  - (iii) organizing said at least one data file into at least one form; and
  - (iv) associating at least one graphical action object icon with at least one form; and
- (b) creating a workflow process using said business logic editor and said at least one graphical action object icon, said step of creating a workflow process comprising the steps of:
  - (i) presenting at least two action object icons on a user interface; and
  - (ii) linking said at least two action object icons to create a workflow process.

1                   Claim 32 (new): A system for creating a custom workflow process, said system  
2 including a master center accessible over a network by at least one client computer system, said  
3 at least one client computer system accessible by a user, said system comprising the steps of:

- 4                   (a)     a business logic editor located on said master center, said business logic  
5 editor being a thin client application accessible through said at least one  
6 client computer system;  
7                   (b)     means for defining a workflow process using said business logic editor,  
8 said means including:  
9                   (i)     means for defining at least one data record based on a plurality of  
10 collected data using a user interface data selection technique via  
11 said business logic editor;  
12                   (ii)    means for allocating said at least one defined data record to at least  
13 one data file;  
14                   (iii)   means for organizing said at least one data file into at least one  
15 form; and  
16                   (iv)    means for associating at least one graphical action object icon with  
17 at least one form; and  
18                   (c)     means for creating a workflow process using said business logic editor and  
19 said at least one graphical action object icon, said means including:  
20                   (i)     means for presenting at least two action object icons on a user  
21 interface; and  
22                   (ii)    means for linking said at least two action object icons to create a  
23 workflow process.  
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1                   Claim 33 (new): The system of claim 32, wherein said workflow process may be  
2 executed via web services.  
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